UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
10/627,548	07/25/2003	Yasuhiko Aoki	064731.0339	3535	
	5073 7590 04/15/2009 BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.			EXAMINER	
2001 ROSS AV	-		LEUNG, CHRISTINA Y		
SUITE 600 DALLAS, TX 7	75201-2980		ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER	
			2613		
			NOTIFICATION DATE	DELIVERY MODE	
			04/15/2009	ELECTRONIC	

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

The time period for reply, if any, is set in the attached communication.

Notice of the Office communication was sent electronically on above-indicated "Notification Date" to the following e-mail address(es):

ptomail1@bakerbotts.com glenda.orrantia@bakerbotts.com

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte: YASUHIKO AOKI, KOJI TAKEGUCHI, and SUSUMU KINOSHITA

Application No. 10/627,548 Technology Center 2600

Mailed: April 14, 2009

Before ERIC W. HAWTHORNE, Supervisory Paralegal Specialist HAWTHORNE, Supervisory Paralegal Specialist.

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on January 12, 2009. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter(s) requiring attention prior to docketing.

EXAMINER'S CONSIDERATION OF REPLY BRIEF

A Reply Brief was filed in this application on November 26, 2008. There is no evidence on the record indicating that the Examiner has considered the Reply Brief in accordance with 37 CFR § 41.43(a)(1) and MPEP § 1208, part II.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to:

- 1) consider the Reply Brief filed November 26, 2008, as indicated above; and
 - 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

If there are any questions pertaining to this Order, please contact the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences at 571-272-9797.

EWH/alw

BAKER BOTTS L.L.P. 2001 ROSS AVENUE SUITE 600 DALLAS TX 75201-2980